



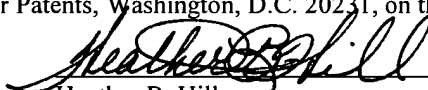
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2002.

REMARKS

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's withdrawal of the Examiner's objection to the abstract and withdrawal of the rejections of claims 6, 37, and 57-67 under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph; and the withdrawal of rejections of claims 6 and 57-61 (paragraph 6), claims 37-40 and 62-67 (paragraph 9), claims 6 and 37-40 (paragraph 10), and claims 6, 37-67 (paragraph 11) under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph.